

Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



Saturday, June 16:

5:00 Elsie Jones

Sunday, June 17:

7:00 Deceased Members of The Quinn & McCauley Families & Souls in Purgatory

9:00 Richard Morrison

11:00 Peter Pellegrito

1:00 Michael Mustillo Jr.

5:00 People of the Parish

Monday, June 18:

7:00 Annette Alesi

9:00 John Kubasek

Tuesday, June 19:

7:00 Maria Salud Aquino

9:00 Richard F. Merenda Jr.

Wednesday, June 20:

7:00 Nancy McVey

9:00 Alice Leahey

Thursday, June 21:

7:00 Paul Snyder

9:00 Marie D. Carnegie

Friday, June 22:

7:00 James & Nancy McVey

9:00 Mary Tighe

Saturday, June 23:

9:00 Margaret Barry

5:00 Rita & Raymond G. Sykes

Sunday, June 24:

7:00 Patricia M. Silvestri

9:00 Deceased Members of the Geraghty & Graham Families

11:00 Eileen Leigh

1:00 Brendan Hoey

5:00 Zheng Ai Zhen

Saturday, June 23:

5:00 Bill Jones

Theresa Hudik

Sunday, June 24:

7:00 Joan Prenty

9:00 Sister Iraida

Maryanne Gambardella

11:00 Ken Wisniewski

Patricia Jezycki

1:00 Stephen Brown

Dorothy Tarafa

5:00 Fred Maley

Efrain Ortiz



Susan Pellecchia, Lois Mazzitelli, Meghan Clark, Alberto Meranda, Anna Parente, James Parente, Mary Kenny, John C. Marino, Cpl Justin Campbell, Sheila Jones, Frank Silvestri, Barbara Walsh, Christian Pepo, Jean Forte, Kathryn Capofari, Rosemary Regan, Anthony Umana, Barbara Rotondo, Mark Herman, Frances Bocignone, Crystal Helewa, Daniel Juliano, Lizabeth Walsh, Joseph DeMeo, Michael DiCostanzo, Carol Perrone, Barbara Lord, Linda Powers, Dana DiPietro, Joseph Detz Sr., James Carney, Danny Fortunato, Stacey Tierno, Douglas Carnegie

Collections:

June 10th.....	\$7,021.00
June 2018 Monthly Collection.....	\$2,249.00
Father's Day.....	\$1,100.00

Wedding Banns

III Timothy Rudolph Fischer & Annie Laurie Baeszler

II Dennis Joseph DeSaro Jr. & Vanessa Ranulfa Wallace

II Robert Christopher Arena & Jill Ann Boyle

NOTE FROM THE PASTOR

Dear Parishioners,

Happy Father's Day! Preparing couples for marriage is a great joy for me. There are so many good marriages here at Sacred Heart and so many good ones waiting to happen. It is exciting to be a part of that which is precious and priceless. Recently a couple came in to set their date for the wedding. The bride met the groom under unusual circumstances. Her family runs a marina at the Jersey shore. She spent her youth working the gas station there, filling up the tanks of boats and jet skis. It was the bane of her existence, she said. The heat and humidity, the aggressive insects and the motor, grease and gas aroma left her thoroughly dissatisfied. She was not shy about complaining about the work to her family.

A couple of years ago a young man appeared at the filler station to replenish the fuel of his boat. When he saw the young female gas attendant he noticed her and she him. Both smiled as their blood pressure increased. After the transaction he rode away with a full gas tank but an empty heart. "Why didn't I talk to her?" he asked himself. "She was so nice and we obviously caught each other's attention! Where was my courage?" It really bothered him. About forty-five minutes later he could not bear the frustration any more. He decided to go back to the marina gas station and again fill up his tank. He only needed about 18 cents worth of gas. When she appeared he immediately began a conversation with the young woman and

they both agreed to a date. He proposed to her two years later. They were beaming with serenity and delight as they told me this story in my office overlooking the front lawn of the rectory. God can use the very bane of our existence to bring about beauty and delight in our lives.

St. John Chrysostom talks about this subject in one of his sermons. (*On the Cemetery and the Cross*, 2). He speaks of how Christ redeemed the world. "Christ conquered the Devil using the same means and same weapons that the Devil used to win. Let me tell you how this occurred. The symbols of our fall were a virgin, a tree and death. The virgin was Eve (for she had not yet known man); then there was the tree; and death was Adam's penalty. And again, these three tokens of our destruction, the virgin, the tree and death became the tokens of our victory. Instead of Eve there was Mary; instead of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, the wood of the Cross; instead of Adam's death, the death of Christ."

God uses the very bane of our existence to bring about beauty and delight in our lives. Has He done something like this in your life?

God bless you!

Father Eric

Father Eric and the staff of Sacred Heart would like to wish all of our parishioner's who are Fathers or serve in the role of Fatherhood a very happy and blessed Father's Day. God bless you all.

Sacred Heart 2017-2018: If you and your spouse are considering a Private/Catholic school for your children, Sacred Heart is the perfect choice. Sacred Heart School is a West Brighton fixture with a rich history of academic and athletic success. The school currently has an enrollment of 278 students all of whom are inspired and educated in the image of God. One hundred percent of our 8th grade graduates are accepted into their high school of choice. Many of our students are awarded high school scholarships, are accepted into advanced/specialized programs and our school has among the highest ELA and Math scores on Staten Island. We place emphasis on technology in the classrooms as our kindergarten—eighth grade students have Chromebooks in the classroom. Homework assignments, upcoming events and school news are posted on our school website. Also our basketball, soccer, swimming and golf teams are not only competitive, they win! Sacred Heart also has a Junior National Honor Society as well as drama, art and chess clubs. In addition, we offer a free Pre-K and financial assistance is available to students from K-8th grade. If you are interested please contact the school at (718) 442-0347, private tours are available by appointment.

Sacred Heart Capital Campaign: The Sacred Heart Capital Campaign is in full swing and we are pleased to announce that just since announcing it to the parishioners on June 3rd the amount collected has reached \$524,280. That represents 57% from 52 families. Remember that next weekend is commitment weekend and we thank everyone who has graciously and generously given thus far.

ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 23, 2018:

5:00 N. Ramdass, G. Seaborg, R. Delamasa

Sunday, June 24, 2018:

7:00 Kevin, Maggie & Harry Postler

9:00 Mary, Kathleen & Siobhan McCafferty

11:00 T. Smith, J. Smith, B. Freund

1:00 J. Orellana, W. Hollnsteiner, V. Kaleta

5:00 T. Koleci, A. Maida, M. Ahern

St. Joseph Retreat Center **(Telephone Number :718-720-1097)**

Walking with Faith: Tuesday June 19th, 6:30-8:30 PM, \$25 per person, facilitated by Nanci Bachman. The evening will begin with Camino de Santiago (The Way) and the following spiritual journey will bring you closer to God. St. James, one of the twelve apostles, was given the mission to spread the Gospel and for years people have been walking The Camino, following his path. The evening will include slides showing us the historical significance of El Camino.

Centering Prayer Group: June 27th, \$10 per person, 7:30-9 PM, facilitated by Ann Louise DePalo. Come and pray and be still in God's presence, each session is a stand alone so anyone can join at any time.

Experience The Holy Land: Tuesday, June 26th 6-8:30 PM, \$25 per person, facilitated by Barbara Santillo. The blood, sweat and tears of Jesus remain rooted in the soil of the Holy Land. Join us on a reminiscent tour of this most sacred place on earth.

Online Giving: Do you know that Sacred Heart now offers online giving that makes donating quick and easy. This is perfect for our parishioners who take frequent vacations, have a busy weekend schedule or have moved but wish to continue their support of our parish. Just go to the Sacred Heart website, www.sacredheartsi.org and click on the online giving icon at the top of the page.



SACRED HEART PARISH **GROUPS**

Bible Study: Our Pastor, Fr. Eric, has a weekly Bible study group which meets on Saturdays from 1-2 PM in the school's small cafeteria. During the hour The Rosary is recited, Father gives a short bible lecture and there is a brief group discussion. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Altar Servers: We are always looking for new boys and girls to become altar servers. If you are in the fifth grade or older, are a practicing Catholic and have received your first Holy Communion you can join. If anyone is interested please contact the Rectory at (718) 442-0058 or simply ask Fr. Eric after Mass. Being a server not only increases one's spiritual experience at Mass but also is a great way to get involved in the parish.

Sacred Heart Youth Group: Sacred Heart currently has a Youth Group for children in grades 6-12. If your child is interested in joining or if you have any questions contact Maria Montouri at (347) 247-2930. The group meets every first and third Monday of the month in the school cafeteria at 7 PM. There is free pizza, drinks and snacks for all who attend the meetings. The group does service projects like clothing and coat drives, eyeglass drives and bake sales. There are fun social activities like movie nights, bowling and laser tag!

Legion of Mary: The Sacred Heart chapter of the Legion of Mary meets weekly (if possible) on Wednesday at 6:30 PM in the rectory. The meeting lasts roughly one hour and the members pray the Rosary and offer assistance to the Pastor. If you are interested please call Patti Foley at 917-608-7587. All are welcome. Thanks to all who support the Legion of Mary.

Holy Name: The Holy Name Society is one of the oldest and most traditional groups of the Church. We are excited to be bringing it back to Sacred Heart. All men of the parish ages 18 and older can join. There will be no Holy Name meeting for the month of July, the meeting will resume in August, exact date to follow.

Communion Breakfast 2018: The Holy Name is also pleased to announce the return of the Sacred Heart Communion Breakfast which will take place on Sunday, September 23rd from 10:30 - 1 PM at The Staaten. All parishioners are welcome. The cost is \$20 per adult and \$10 for children under 13. More details will come as the date nears. We are excited about the return of this annual event which not only helps kick off our school year but also serves as a great way for our parishioners to get to know one another.

Sacred Heart Scouts: Pack and Troop 74 for grades K-10 for "ALL" children meets on Mondays at 7 PM in the school cafeteria, open registration. On Thursday June 21st the scouts will be conducting a fundraiser at Jimmy Max please see the last page for details.

Sacred Heart honors Pat Reilly: The fifth annual Sacred Heart Edger Sweeney Golf Memorial will be held on Monday, July 16th. The Golf outing at Silver Lake begins at 8 AM shotgun start, best ball wins. A luncheon will follow at Li Greci's Staaten. The cost is \$165 for both the lunch and the round of golf and \$60 for the lunch only. Hole Sponsors are available at \$100, Prize Sponsors at \$250 and one lucky family will win \$1,000 Sacred Heart tuition payment. To qualify you must have a child enrolled at the school and you must compete in the golf outing. For more details contact Tom Corson at (718) 909-7709.

Sacred Heart RCIA: Have you are anyone you know expressed an interest in becoming a Catholic? Were you baptized a Catholic but never received the sacraments of Communion and Confirmation. We offer the opportunity for people to come together in small groups to learn more about The Catholic Faith. These sessions center on the teachings and experiences of the Gospels and the Church while preparing individuals to celebrate the sacraments of baptism, communion and confirmation. Candidates will make their sacraments at Sacred Heart during the Easter season. Call the rectory at (718) 442-0058 if you or someone you know is interested for more details.